

Spiritual Practices @First

All are welcome to join in at any time—no cost involved

- ◆ Taizé Worship—1st Saturday monthly, 5:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Morning Yoga—Mondays, 9:30 am, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Tai Chi For Balance—Tuesdays, 3:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Meditation—Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Earth Vigil—Third Wednesday monthly, 6:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Zumba— Will resume Wednesday, September 5 in the Commons
- ◆ Evening Yoga—Thursday, 6:15 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Centering Prayer—Sundays, 9:35 am and 1st Sunday monthly, 4:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Outdoor Labyrinth, Garden & Gazebo—24/7

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A Word from the Finance Office

We are currently in the process of transition for a new Finance Manager. During this time, please note all financial contributions and records will be kept in the highest form of confidentiality. We will continue to honor your information and keep your records secure. During our transition, our interim Finance Managers will assist you with whatever needs or questions you may have. Please continue to email Gina.Torres@fumcomaha.org with your questions or requests.

Thank you for your understanding and support!

Thank you for supporting the ministries of FUMC.
Contribution letters are provided to identified donors
for tax-deduction records at year end.



Giving Station. There is a black stand with an iPad attached in the Narthex (foyer). It's a giving station that allows people to make donations and/or purchase FUMC items. More and more people do not carry checks or cash with them. Our Giving Station is another way to support our ministries. Whether you give by cash, check, automatic bank transfers, or the new credit card station, we give thanks for faithful and generous giving that allows our ministries to continue and our community to share God's love.



Our Faith in Action



We are collecting school supplies for Omaha United for Youth and Lewis and Clark Middle School. Most needed are backpacks, highlighters, washable markers, erasers, three-ring binders, blue or black ball point pens, loose-leaf notebook paper, and glue sticks.

Mercy and Justice

Meals for Youth Emergency Services—Join Feeding Ministries the second Sunday of each month after 2nd service in the main kitchen. We will prepare casseroles for Y.E.S. Each night, 50-70 youth drop by their Harney Street location for something to eat. Contact Judy Prenzler, prenzlerjk@gmail.com, 402-889-8091, if you can assist or want more information.

Sunday, August 12, The Commons

Transportation Volunteers Needed— Anyone with a sedan or small SUV who is willing to drive a member to or from church to northwest Omaha once or twice a month. We also have a member in need of transportation home (near 108th & Q St) once a month. Both wish to attend second service. Our members in need of transportation can offer rich conversations with a wonderful opportunity for intelligent and inspiring dialogue. Please call Carol LaCroix at 402-551-2177 or Candice Nielsen at 402-556-6262 x1001 or e-mail Candice.Nielsen@fumcomaha.org if you are willing or would like more information.

Thank you!

To the members of First United Methodist Church,

Thank you all for the wonderful Nursery Retirement Party. It was wonderful to see how many people appreciated my services in our nursery for the last 14 years! Even though I will no longer be in the nursery taking care of all the precious little ones, my daughter, Kimberly, my Angel, will still be watching over the nursery every Sunday. I will certainly miss my Sundays in the nursery getting to play, nurture, and watch your beautiful children. I look forward seeing you all in church!

Sincerely,

Colleen Dickman

Faith Studies @First

Children & Youth—Sunday morning, 9:35-10:35 am

Children Faith Studies/Kids Zone – We offer fun, friendly, and up-beat faith learning for the youngest members of our faith community. During the summer, we have group activities for the children, from Kindergarten—6th Grade continuing our Spiritual Practice of Mindfulness.

- 3-year-old/Pre-K
- Kindergarten (5 & 6-year-olds), 1st-6th graders

Nursery (room 105)

Drop-off and pick-up in room 208

Youth Faith Studies – Our youth, in 7th through 12th grade, meet in a combined Junior High and Senior High class for the summer. Youth Faith Studies center around dynamic current events and motivating faith topics, and concentrate on faith formation, scripture literacy, interfaith dialogue, and all the stuff that matters.

- Junior High & Senior High (7th-12th grade) **Room 114**

TODAY, August 5—We invite all children and youth to meet in the Commons for the Senior High Youth Forum.

All children, Kindergarten – 6th Grade, not attending the Forum are to participate in the Peace Begins With Me Spiritual Mindfulness Class in room 208 between 9:35 – 10:35 am.

Children in Pre-Kindergarten or younger are to meet in the Nursery.

Adult Classes—Sunday morning, 9:35 –10:35 am

Boomers +/- — Explore topics around the theme “Progressive Christian Living.” **Room 112**

Centering Prayer — This prayer time begins with 10 minutes of fellowship, followed by a 20-minute sit in silence, closing with The Lord's Prayer. All are welcome! **Mead Chapel**

Connections — These Gen-Xers meet to discuss the place of faith in addressing current social challenges. **Room 203**

Explorers — Seekers who inquire in depth by reading and discussing a book. This week we will continue our discussion on *Reimagining God*. **Adult Education Library**

Faithlinks — This inter-generational class looks at a current issue through the lens of our Christian faith. **Room 111**

TODAY, August 5— All Faith Studies, including Adult Classes, will meet in the Commons for the Senior High Youth Forum. Classes will resume Sunday, August 12

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Sunday, 8:30 am-12:00 pm; Closed Friday & Saturday



Sunday, August 5, 2018

10:50 am



PRELUDE

“Beloved, One and All, Rejoice”

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Personal listening devices and large-print hymnals & worship guides are available from the ushers. Please silence your phones. Children are always welcome in worship; childcare is also available in the Nursery.

***THE SOUND OF THE BELL**

At the sound of the bell, please rise in body or spirit, breathe deeply, and face the center to see the Christ in one another.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

“Morning has Broken”

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.

***OPENING HYMN**

“God of the Ages”

Red hymnal #698

LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE

GATHERING OF CHILDREN

“Where Children Belong”

Black hymnal #2233

The children are invited to gather at the front of the church.

CHILDREN’S WORD

Today is a gift from God.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

This is the day, yes! This is the day, yes!
This is the day _____ that God has made! _____

SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Let Her Speak!”

Rev. Kent H. Little

***SALAAM, SHALOM, PEACE** be with you.

And also with you.

BECAUSE YOU GIVE

“Bread for the World”

Bernadette Farrell; arr. Christopher Walker

Bread for the world: a world of hunger. Wine for all people: people who thirst. May we who eat be bread for others. May we who drink pour out our love. Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life, broken to reach and heal the wounds of human pain. Where we divide your people you are waiting there on bended knee to wash our feet with endless care. Lord Jesus Christ you are the wine of peace, poured into hearts once broken and where dryness sleeps. Where we are tired and weary you are waiting there to be the voice which beckons us beyond despair. Lord Jesus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the rich and powerful have become the least. Where we survive on others in our human greed, you walk among us, begging for your every need. Bread for the world: a world of hunger. Wine for all people: people who thirst. May we who eat be bread for others. May we who drink pour out our love.

***Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Black hymnal #2257a-d

Prayers of Concern

To the family of Lana Linke who transitioned to new life on July 17. The white candle on the Communion table celebrates her life.

This we pray.

Loving God, hear our prayers.

Prayers of Thanksgiving

This we pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks.

Sung Lord’s Prayer

The Cantor will sing a phrase and the Congregation will repeat it.

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

All present, regardless of age or denominational affiliation, are invited to share in this holy sacrament.

As a symbol of receiving God’s gifts with open hands, please cup your hands to receive the bread.

Then touch the bread lightly in the cup.

Gluten-free bread is available by request at the front on the piano side.

During the serving of Communion, the Congregation will sing:

“One Bread, One Body” Red hymnal #620

COMMUNITY IN ACTION

***CLOSING HYMN**

“We Are One in Christ Jesus”

Black hymnal #2229

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE**

“Toccatà”

Georgi Mushel

Welcome

Today is Sunday, August 5, 2018

8:30 & 10:50 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:15 am	Social Time, Gathering Place
9:35 am	Senior High Youth Mission Trip Forum, the Commons
9:35 am	Faith Studies @First
4:00 pm	Centering Prayer, Mead Chapel

From Participants to Partners

All are always welcome to participate in the life and ministries of FUMC Omaha. When you are ready to move from participant to partnership through your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness, please contact Kent or Cynthia by e-mail or phone; we’d be delighted to answer your questions and get to know one another!

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